

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Andrus et al. )  
Application No. 10/597,335 ) Examiner: Chukwuma O. Nwaonicha  
Filing Date: July 21, 2006 ) Group Art Unit No.: 1621  
For: NOVEL SIRTUIN ACTIVATING ) Confirmation No. 9418  
COMPOUNDS AND METHODS FOR  
MAKING THE SAME )

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 16, 2008, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expired on March 16, 2009, with payment of a two-month extension fee on May 16, 2009.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.